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For: STEEL FRAME STRESS REDUCTION CONNECTION

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

**RESPONSE TO ACCOMPANY PETITION TO REVIVE
UNINTENTIONALLY ABANDONED PATENT APPLICATION**

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Sir:

This is in response to the Advisory Action mailed November 10, 2004 relating to the above-identified patent application. Please reconsider the patent application in view of the amendments and remarks presented hereinafter, which are submitted as a full and complete response to the aforementioned Advisory Action.

Claims 1-4, 6-31, and 34-44 remain in the subject patent application. Claim 31 has been amended and claims 32 and 33 have been canceled herein. Claim 5 was canceled in an earlier communication.